

REMARKS

As a preliminary matter, Applicant thanks the Examiner for the withdrawal of the previous rejections, and the allowance of claims 12 and 15. Only claim 10 stands rejected in the present Application.

Claim 10 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Endo et al. (U.S. 4,774,130). Claim 10 has been cancelled without prejudice herein, rendering this rejection now moot.

For all of the foregoing reasons, Applicant submits that this Application, including claims 12 and 15, is in condition for allowance, which is also respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney should any issues remain related to patentability.

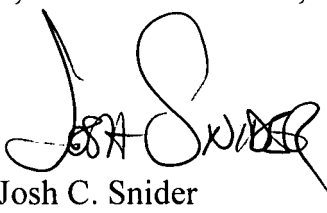
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